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Ending the road Bend
Protest Zone

Mysuru, Oct. 22 (RKB&BCT)- Nearly a thousand protestors formed a Human Chain opposing the State Government's Rs. 12 crore plan to widen and straighten the Hunsur Road near Jaladarshini Guest House. Through Human Chain and silent march, they debunked the government theory that the road is leading to accidents and appealed to the authorities not to cut trees. In unison, they conveyed the message: "Cut Speed, Not Trees."

The protestors gathered at Kalamandira at around 10.30 am and occupied the footpath on the busy road and formed the Human Chain till the Jaladarshini Guest House, without disturbing the traffic. The protesters were supported by Mysore Grahakara Parishat (MGP), CFTRI Association, Breakthrough, Lucky School Group, Lets Do It! Mysore, Kukkarahalli Kere Ulisi Samithi, Green Mysuru, People Tree, Mysuru Memes, Swachha Mysuru, Wild Mysuru, Samarpana Foundation, Clean Mysuru Foundation and other associations.

Holding and hanging placards around their necks, protesters from all age groups termed the road widening and straightening project as unnecessary and a sheer waste of money. The placards read "Save trees, not traffic offenders", "Save trees for future generations" and "Convenient opportunity to make money". Three children too were part of the protests and they were drawing attention of authorities.

Addressing the gathering, Maj. Gen. (Rtd.) S.G. Vombatkere said that the project is a waste of precious resources and there was no need for such a project that damages the fragile ecosystem.

(See PROTEST on page 9)

Three arrested for assault on Sand Artist's parents

Mysuru, Oct. 22 (MTY&BCT)- The Nazarbad Police have arrested three persons in connection with the assault on well-known Sand Artist M.N. Gowri's parents at the Sand Museum at the foot of Chamundi Hill. On Oct. 19, Gowri's parents 55-year-old Nagalambika and her husband 65-year-old Nanjundaswamy were assaulted by some unidentified youths.

Nagalambika

A file photo of Sand Museum

The incident occurred around noon on that day when Nagalambika, who was engaged in maintenance of the sand sculptures, rushed out on hearing some commotion. She saw her husband Nanjundaswamy being assaulted by three or four youths. When Nagalambika tried to intervene, the youths assaulted her badly, which was recorded by a CCTV camera.

Scanning the CCTV footages, the Police arrested Syed Asru, Aijaz Pasha and Nazeer Ahmed, all commission agents of Kauvery Silk Udyog that is near the Sand Museum. Their job is to get customers to the shop for a commission.

(See ARRESTED on page 8)

POINT BLANK

A bend in the road: How to fix it?

By K.B. Ganapathy,
Editor-in-Chief

Over a thousand citizens of Mysuru, comprising a few NGOs, assembled this morning at the Kalamandira premises and then marched towards the bend near Jaladarshini Guest House in a straight human chain to protest against the Government's decision to straighten this stretch of road at an estimated cost of Rs. 12 crore and over 50 trees that will have to be felled for this purpose.

The reason for undertaking this work, according to the Government, is the recurring accidents taking place at this point of the bend. I also participated in the protest as a concerned citizen of the city and spoke to some of the retired engineers who have experience in building roads in India and abroad. I asked one of the engineers if there is any other way of solving the problem without spending so much for so little a stretch when roads are built to hill stations with many hairpin bends.

The answer came straight saying, "First and foremost the **accidents in this place usually happen either early in the morning or after 11 or 12 O' clock in the night and often the drivers are youngsters or drunken persons.** The Government could have gone to the local Police authorities and obtained data regarding the accidents during the past three years before hastening to go ahead with this work. During day time the incident of accidents are very rare. Even so, there are other ways of avoiding accidents in this bend at night. The Police can restrict the speed to 50 kms per hour and provide warning signals prominently along with a few speed breakers."

Having heard him, I spoke to another concerned citizen of the city H.R. Bapu Sathyanarayana who is a frequent writer to this paper. His solution for this problem seems to be less time consuming road work and less expensive without having to cut the trees. He said, if the present plan of the Government is to be executed, it would require not only cutting of the trees but also doing a lot of earth work on one side of the road where sewage and drinking water pipes are laid. These pipe-lines will have to be removed and relaid to enable straightening of the road, he said.

According to him, the simple solution is to provide **super elevation** at the outer edge of the curve which is now not provided by whoever built this road. This is a great technical flaw at this point. This is called **banking** and since there is only one major curve on this road it could be done without either broadening, straightening or cutting of the trees as contemplated. If **banking** is done, vehicles will not lose the road grip and even at 50 or 80 kms per hour speed the chances of toppling are less.

However, **with a twinkle in his eyes, he said even Almighty God cannot help an accident from happening if the driver is drunk or sleeps off or over-speeding.**

Bapu Sathyanarayana asked me if I had seen the **Well of Death** where two or three motorcyclists inside the metal dome ride in high speed without getting toppled even when they ride perpendicularly the 90 mts radius curve. He also suggested providing Rumbling Strips and normal speed breakers at the appropriate points of the curve.

A 250 mts curve can facilitate vehicles to go at 80 kms per hour speed on National Highways which is set to be a standard. However, if the curve is 90 mts the speed limit is put at 50 kms per hour. This can be modified if the Highways run through urban areas and the road too can be modified, according to Sathyanarayana.

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"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."
Editor-in-Chief: K.B. GANAPATHY B.A; B.L.
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Columbia Asia Hospital completes first case of IVF conception

Mysuru, Oct. 22- The natural capacity to conceive a child does not come easily to everyone. Both men and women can experience infertility and take steps to improve it. For those couples who find difficulty to conceive, alternate options of family building are available. Many couples with fertility problems are hesitant to go to a professional and get a fertility test done. With medical advances in the field of reproductive science, even today many couples are sceptical in considering IVF as an option, when they find it difficult to conceive naturally. However, IVF treatment in a good hospital at the able hands of a trained doctor is most likely to ensure positive results.

Columbia Asia Hospital, Mysuru, successfully completed their first case of IVF conception. The baby was born on Aug. 28, after 37 weeks of conception.

The baby weighed 3.035 kgs at birth. It was a C-Section delivery and both the baby and the mother are doing well.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

Sitting on a beach in Goa, I was watching the sun setting on a sea that was slowly turning from blue-green to deep Indigo. Then a young man in ripped jeans and a T-shirt — the universal uniform of trendy youth — strolled by, tossing on the sand an empty soft drink can as he did so. He wasn't the only one. Many, if not most, of the people who'd come to watch the sunset were throwing empty plastic bottles or tinfoil wrappers of chips or gutka on the beach, turning the seashore into a rubbish dump. The sky blushed red in shame. And the sun ducked into the sea lest it be charged with being responsible for the litter.

Why do we do it? By and large, Indians are very particular about personal hygiene and cleanliness. Yet we think nothing of making our country dirtier and dirtier with all the garbage that we strew about so carelessly. Why do we do it? We wouldn't throw garbage in the living room of our home. So why do we throw garbage in the common living room that all of us share, which is our country? We keep our homes scrupulously clean. Why can't we learn to keep equally clean the common home of our country? We feel house-proud of a clean home. When will we take equal pride in a clean country?

And the tragic irony is that the more beautiful a particular part of the country is — like that Goan beach — the filthier it becomes, attracting as it does so many visitors who think nothing of turning the beauty spot into a refuse heap.

So much for Swachh Bharat. In his speech to the nation on Sept.11, the PM said that those who litter public places should not sing Vande Mataram, implicitly linking patriotism with protecting the environment. Good thinking. Particularly, at a time when there is such a strong and growing sense of assertive nationalism. So let's clean up our act. Or our nationalism will be shown up to be, literally, a load of rubbish.

— Jug Suraiya in The Times of India.

NEWS SPARKLERS

Dangling by teeth above Niagara Falls

Washington: Daredevil and professional aerialist Erendira Wallenda broke the world record Thursday for the highest suspension over Niagara Falls.

Erendira Wallenda performs acrobatic stunts above Niagara Falls. On the fifth anniversary of her husband of 17 years, Nik, walking over the waterfalls on a tight rope, Erendira hung by her teeth from an aerial hoop dangling approximately 300 feet above the thundering water.

Her act set a Guinness World Record for height, breaking the record Nik set when he hung from his teeth 250 feet above Silver Dollar City in Branson, Missouri. Transported by a helicopter, Erendira sat in a hula hoop and performed multiple acrobatic flips before using only a mouth piece to suspend from the circle. She then hung upside down with her feet on the hoop before repeating the mouth stunt. She had a safety harness around her waist to comply with New York State law for stunts that occur more than 20 feet in the air.

Zoo animals stolen for food amid crisis

Maracaibo: Venezuela authorities are investigating the theft of animals from a zoo in Western State of Zulia that were likely snatched to be eaten, a further sign of hunger in a country struggling with chronic food shortages.

A Police official said two collared peccaries, which are similar in appearance to boars, were stolen over the weekend from the Zulia Metropolitan Zoological Park in the sweltering city of Maracaibo near the Colombian border.

The chaotic collapse of the country's socialist economic model has created chronic food shortages that have fuelled malnutrition and left millions seeking food anywhere they can find it, including in trash cans and dumpstres.

President Nicolas Maduro blames food shortages on opposition protests that have blocked streets and highways and a broader "economic war" led by adversaries with the help of Washington. But zoo head Leonardo Nunez said a wave of thefts that in recent weeks had affected 10 species including a buffalo, which he said was cut into pieces, was orchestrated by "drug dealers" seeking to sell the animals.

HEALTH CAPSULE
by Bron Smith

Is it harmful if I swallow my own phlegm?

Swallowing your own phlegm happens naturally without you being aware of it. Swallowing phlegm causes no harm. Your respiratory and gastrointestinal tracts are always making mucus. When you are sick, you are much more aware of it.

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Govardhana Puja at ISKCON

Mysuru, Oct. 22- ISKCON Temple at Jayanagar celebrated Govardhana Puja festival at its premises here recently.

The festival started at 6 pm with *Tulasi puja* followed by *Go puja* (worship of the cows), Govardhana Puja (worship of Govardhana Hill) and Deepotsava. Devotees were spell-bound looking at the magnificent Govardhana Hill made with 220 kgs of cake. Various kinds of food items including rice preparations, sweets and savouries were also prepared and offered to Lord Krishna on the auspicious day.

Jai Chaitanya Dasa, President of ISKCON Mysore Chapter said, "This festival is celebrated in commemoration of the fascinating pastime of Lord Krishna lifting the Govardhana Hill, when angry Indra sent torrents of rain accompanied by showers of ice blocks and high wind to disturb the residents of Vrindavana. Lord Krishna immediately took compassion upon the residents of Vrindavana and protected them by picking up the Govardhana Hill, just as a child picks up a mushroom."

Hundreds of devotees thronged the temple to witness this grand celebration and offered ghee lamp to Lord Krishna individually, on account of Karthika Deepotsava and received His blessings.

Really...?

- ***The Baghdad Battery is a clay pot believed to be used for electroplating metal objects around 220 CE, but it is sometimes considered as a myth since there was no electricity during that period. Others suggest that they were just containers used to hold papyrus scrolls.***
- ***In the 1850s, a Xhosa prophetess in South Africa prophesied that if the tribe destroyed their crops and killed all their cattle, the spirits would sweep the English settlers into the sea. The tribe obeyed and it resulted in famine, killing tens of thousands.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

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Skeleton 2: *I don't know. Why?*
Skeleton 1: *Because of all the coffin !!*

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VOICE OF THE READER

'Padlocks of Love' on 'Trees of Love'

A Moscow Custom or Superstition?

A scene on the Luzhkov Bridge in Moscow, when this author visited the place. Newly-weds are seen posing to be photographed, after they symbolically proclaimed the permanence of their union by placing padlocks on the metal tree on the bridge and then throwing the keys to the locks into the canal below.

Sir,

I have been enjoying reading the latest *Abracadabra* pieces — the ones that have been appearing under the title ***"Gone Away: To Germany & Austria."*** The picture of locks that appeared in the third part of *Abracadabra "A Day Out Looking at Down Town Berlin,"* and the reference to it as a "manifestation of superstition" remind me of "a weird Moscow custom" I had the pleasure of witnessing when I visited that city a few years ago.

It has become customary among many newly-weds in Moscow to seal their bond in a "weird" way: They rush to the Luzhkov Bridge, not far from the Kremlin, soon after the wedding ceremony; hang a padlock, symbolising their wedlock, on one of the metal trees placed on the bridge; and then throw the key to the lock into the canal below the bridge.

Throwing the key into the canal is meant to make the bond between the newly-wed couple permanent. If either of the couple wishes to break the bond, he or she will have to dive into the canal, retrieve the key and open the padlock. Retrieving a key from the thousands that are lying at the bottom of the canal is an impossible task.

The practice, it is said, had its origin in an ancient Russian custom. According to Russian lore (Russians are fond of folklore), young married couples used to be locked inside a granary shed on their wedding night. The purpose behind it was to provide them some privacy, away from the wedding-day crowd.

A few years ago, some romantic Muscovites decided to adapt this ancient custom. The newly-weds' hanging "Padlocks of Love" — as they are called — on "Trees of Love" placed on the Luzhkov Bridge is the outcome of that adaptation.

The practice caught on so fast that, in a couple of years, this footbridge got crowded with metal trees. Additional ones had to be placed on the street next to the bridge and, then, on other streets. Today, according to a travel brochure, there are 10 streets in Moscow where newly-bonded couples can go and demonstrate their inseparability by placing padlocks on metal trees.

— M.P. Prabhakaran on e-mail

New York
16.10.2017

Linking Aadhaar Number to Bank Accounts Mandatory: RBI

Mumbai, Oct. 22- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) yesterday dismissed media reports that it was not necessary to link national identity card numbers (Aadhaar), to bank accounts. It said in a statement the requirement remained in force under anti-money laundering rules.

The RBI clarification followed media reports quoting a reply to a Right To Information (RTI) application that suggested the apex bank has not issued any order for mandatory Aadhaar linkage with bank accounts.

"The Reserve Bank clarifies that, in applicable cases, linkage of Aadhaar number to bank account is mandatory under the Prevention of Money-laundering (Maintenance of Records) Second Amendment Rules, 2017 published in the Official Gazette on June 1, 2017," the Central Bank said in a statement.

These rules have statutory force and, as such, banks have to implement them without awaiting further instructions, it said. The government in June had made Aadhaar mandatory for opening bank accounts as well as for any financial transaction of Rs. 50,000 and above.

Existing bank account holders have been asked to furnish the Aadhaar number issued by the Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) by December 31, 2017, failing which the account will cease to be operational, the government notification had said.

There were reports in media quoting an RTI query in which RBI had said it "has not issued any instruction so far regarding mandatory linking of Aadhaar number with bank accounts".

The government in Budget 2017 had already mandated seeding of Aadhaar number with Permanent Account Number (PAN) to avoid individuals using multiple PANs to evade taxes.

The notification issued amending the Prevention of Money-laundering (Maintenance of Records) Rules, 2005, mandated quoting of Aadhaar along with PAN or Form 60 by individuals, companies and partnership firms for all financial transactions of Rs. 50,000 or above.

World Anaesthesia Day celebrated

Mysuru, Oct. 22- Indian Society of Anaesthesiology, Mysuru Chapter, celebrated World Anaesthesia Day - 2017 (to commemorate the use of Ether gas for the first time in the world on 16th October 1846) at a Hotel here recently.

Senior Anaesthetist Dr. Manjunath inaugurated the function. Baby Ruhani rendered the invocation. Dr. Kavya Aradhya briefed about the history of Anaesthesia. Dr. D.S. Vijayakumar spoke on awareness of anaesthesiology among public. Senior anaesthesiologists Dr. Galagali, Dr. Sheshagiri Rao and Dr. Sheela Rao, were honoured on the occasion.

Mysuru Chapter President Dr. Mahadev presided. Secretary Dr. Prathibha welcomed. Treasurer Dr. Anilkumar proposed a vote of thanks.

The function concluded with a cultural show by Dr. Sham Prasad, Dr. Chinthana, Dr. Akhila, Dr. D.S.Vijayakumar and Dr. Madhav.

New team for Mysore Elite Round Table 256

The following members were unanimously elected as office-bearers of Mysore Elite Round Table 256 during its AGM held in Madikeri recently. Seen in the picture are *(sitting from left)* ***Tr.Sharath (Vice Chairman), Tr.Gowtham (Secretary), Tr.T. Premkumar (Chairman), Tr. Kailash (Past Area Chairman), Tr.Pavan Shroof (Treasurer) and Tr.Suresh (Immediate Past Chairman).*** *Standing from left:* ***Tr. Hansel, Tr. Harsha, Tr. Arun, Tr. Kushal, Tr. Jai Chopra, Tr. Ravi, Tr. Den Thimmiah, Tr. Dinesh, Tr. Arjun, Tr. Vishal and Tr. Pavan.***

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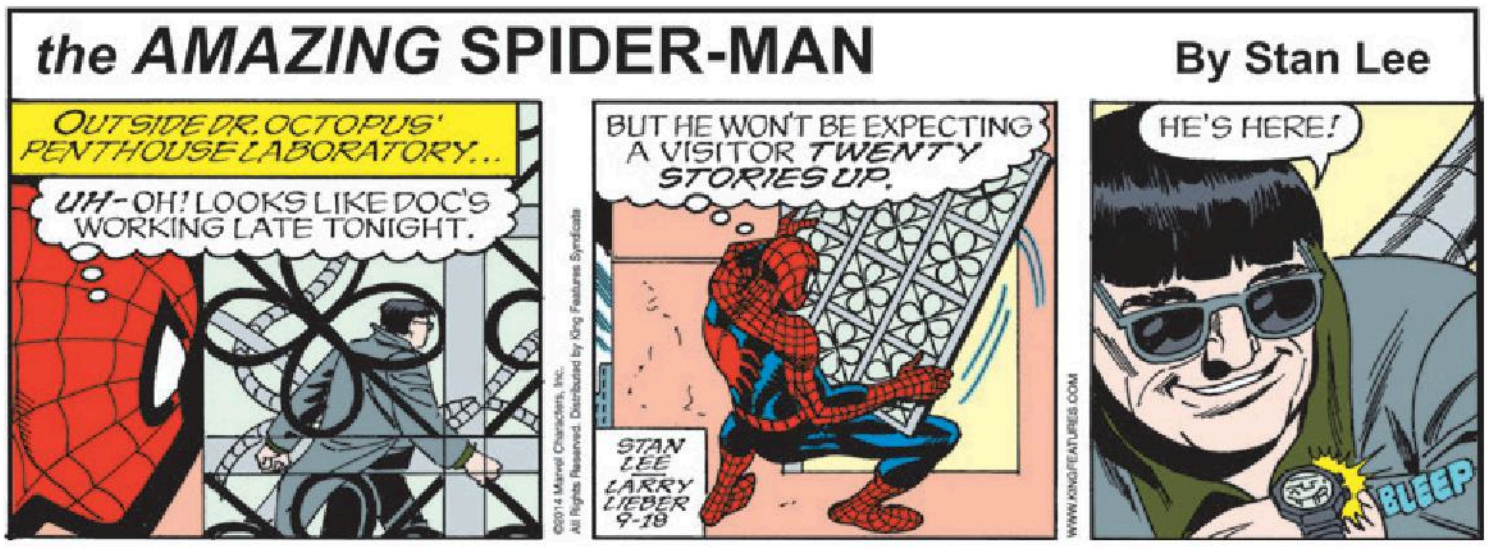
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NEWS BRIEFS

Odd semester degree exam

The odd semester (1st, 3rd & 5th) under-graduate degree exam (written exam) of the University of Mysore (UoM) will take place from Nov.10. The exam time-table has been notified in the University website: http://www.uni-mysore.ac.in, according to press release.

Calling minority community farmers

The Karnataka State Minorities Development Corporation has invited applications from minority community farmers (Muslim, Christian, Jain Buddhist, Parsi and Sikh) for awarding subsidy on purchase of agricultural equipment. The equipment include small tractors, power tillers, sowing machines, diesel pumpset, engine driven tools etc., The prescribed application forms can be downloaded from the Corporations website: www.kmdc.kar.nic.in. The filled in application form can be submitted along with necessary documents to the office of the corporation located in K.R. Mohalla before Oct.30. For details, call Ph: 0821-2430080.

Objections invited

The Vishwakarma Vishwa Brahmana Seva Trust has proposed to construct a community office building at Municipal Assessment Site no. 725/716 (60'x40') located on 2nd cross, Arakanath Road, Ward no. 9, K.R. Nagar town. The members of the public are asked to submit their objections, if any in writing to the Member Secretary, K.R. Nagar Town Municipal Council within 15 days, according to press release. For details, call Ph: 08223-262298.

Discourse

To commemorate the 5th death anniversary of Late Ratnamma Raghvendra Rao, Satyadhyana Bhajana Mandali has organised a discourse programme on 'Dashama Skandha' (Krishna Leela) by Vidwan Vedavyasachar at Sri Raghavendra Swami Mutt, Jayalakshmipuram, Mysuru, from Oct.23 to 28 between 5 pm and 6pm.

ENT screening camp

Suyog Hospital Mysuru has organised a free 'ENT' Screening camp at its premises on Oct. 25 between 9 am and 2pm. For details, contact Ph: 0821-2566966 or Mob: 87628-50960.

Eye camp for seniors

JSS Senior Citizens Helpline, in association with JSS Hospital, Mysore and District Blindness Eradication Society has organised a free eye check-up camp at JSS Senior Citizens Helpline JSS premises, MG Road on Oct.25 between 9 am and 1 pm. For details, contact Ph: 0821-2548253/2448138.

83rd All India Kannada Sammelana President Champa felicitated

Prof. Champa being felicitated by Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji, Andolana ***Editor Rajashekar Koti, Prof. Maleyuru Guruswamy and MLA Vasu at a function held at JSS Women's College auditorium in Saraswathipuram here yesterday. Others seen are Publisher T.S. Chayapathy and former President of District Kannada Sahitya Parishat M. Chandrashekar.***

Mysuru, Oct. 22 (US&PM)- Talukina Venkannaiah Smaraka Granthamale and Kannada Sahitya Kala Koota had organised an event at JSS Women's College in Saraswathipuram here yesterday to felicitate litterateur Prof. Chandrashekar Patil (Champa), who is the President-designate for the 83rd Akhila Bharatha Kannada Sahitya Sammelana to be held in city next month (Nov.24 to 26).

Suttur Mutt Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji graced the occasion. A collection of articles of Champa published in the weekly '*Agni*' titled '*Champaankana*' was released by journalist Rajashekar Koti. MLA Vasu was the chief guest. Litterateur Prof. Maleyuru Guruswamy spoke on Champa's book.

Speaking on the occasion, Champa hailed the Nadageethe of Kuvempu which had all the elements to unite a State. He commended the contributions of everybody to uphold the status of Kannada literature.

Calling upon Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji to break his silence on the raging issue to separate religion status for Lingayats, he said that all Lingayat Seers must join hands for the cause of the community.

Champa appealed to those who are opposing the Kannada Sammelana to work together to make the event a grand success. Leave aside the differences and make the meet successful and issues, if any, could be discussed at a later stage, he added.

Lingayat is a separate religion and deserves minority status, says Prof. Chandrashekar Patil

Mysuru, Oct. 22 - Noted Kannada writer and literary critic Prof. Chandrashekar Patil, popular as Champa, has said that Lingayat is a separate religion and minority status must be accorded as per the Constitution and as per legal provisions to the religion.

Champa, who has been designated as the President of the three-day 83rd Akhila Bharatha Kannada Sahitya Sammelana, was interacting with media persons at Pathrakarthara Bhavan yesterday. He said that till now there is no clarity on the word Hindu and as such Vedic religion can be attributed to it. Likewise, Lingayats and Veerashaivas are not branches of Hinduism and Lingayats deserve a separate status like Buddhism, Jainism and Sikhism, he opined.

He said that Veerashaivas are creating confusion over a separate community for Lingayats. "Rambhapuri Swamiji and Virakta Mutt pontiffs are in confusion. **Hindu means Rightists and Lingayats mean Leftists, but, Veerashaiva is in between.** There is no confusion between Rightists and Leftists. There is no clarity about Hindu community. I am proud to tell that I am a Lingayat. Lingayats must get minority status," Patil added.

"Though I believe in the ideologies of Left wing, there should be an interaction between the Right and Left wings," he said.

He blamed BJP State President B.S. Yeddyurappa and said that he had joined Yeddyurappa as he had floated Karnataka Janata Paksha (KJP), a regional party. But he rejoined the BJP after the elections. He betrayed the voters.

State-wide tour

Champa said that he would tour the State urging the government to implement the resolutions passed at the 83rd Kannada Sahitya Sammelana. He said that many resolutions adopted at the meet are not taken seriously by the government. "The resolutions adopted at this meet will be implemented," he said.

Champa said unlike other writers who presided over the meet, he will tour the State to make sure the resolutions become a reality. It is a custom that at the end of every Sammelana, resolutions are passed, but most of the time they are not implemented.

"The Kannada Sahitya Parishat is not a political body, but it is built and led by people. Hence the resolutions speak the mind of the people. It is the duty of the Parishat and the President of the meet to make sure the resolutions reach the government and force it to implement them," he added.

On the development of Kannada literature on social media platforms, he said there was a need for diversity in expression. "Language is an integral part of humans and they can express their literary skills on any platform. If social media is stronger than the traditional literary form, it will sustain," Prof. Chandrashekar Patil said.

Kannada Sahitya Sammelana: Register before Nov.10

Mysuru, Oct.22 (US) - The 83rd Kannada Sahitya Sammelana will be held in city from Nov. 24 to 26. Those who want to participate in the Sammelana should register their names at the Office of the respective District Kannada Sahitya Parishats before Nov.10 on payment of Rs. 250. Those representing Mysuru District can register at Kannada Sahitya Sammelana Samithi Office near Palace North Gate here. No registration is allowed after the last date and at the venue of the Sammelana, according to a press release from District Kannada Sahitya Parishat.

BJP to hold massive farmers' convention in city on Oct.26

Yeddyurappa

Mysuru, Oct. 22(SP&DM)- The BJP will stage a massive convention of farmers at Maharaja's College grounds in the city on Oct. 26.

Announcing this at a press meet here yesterday, District BJP President Kote M. Shivanna said the convention has been organised as part of the BJP's 'Vision-2024' for making Mysuru District Chemical Fertilizers Free Agricultural District.

Former CM and State BJP President B.S. Yeddyurappa will preside over the meet, in which State BJP Vice-President V. Sreenivasa Prasad, former Deputy CM R. Ashok, former Ministers B. Sriramalu and V. Somanna, MP Pratap Simha, former Minister C.H. Vijayshankar and other leaders will take part.

More than 5,000 farmers have registered to take part in the rally, he said and added that farmers can give a missed call to **88244-66665** to register for taking part in the convention.

BJP leaders H.V. Rajeev, Prasanna N. Gowda, Javaregowda were present at the press meet.

JD(S) to launch poll campaign from Chamundeshwari Constituency

Kumaraswamy with wife Anitha.

Bengaluru, Oct.22 - The JD(S), which has challenged to take on Chief Minister Siddharamaiah in Chamundeshwari Assembly constituency, is all set to begin its poll campaign from the constituency in Mysuru.

Former Chief Minister and State JD(S) President H.D. Kumaraswamy along with his wife Anitha Kumaraswamy and actor son Nikhil will launch the party's campaign in Chamundeshwari Assembly segment on Nov.3.

Kumaraswamy, who has recovered from heart ailment, is all set to launch the campaign by holding party workers meet and taking part in road shows from atop a specially-designed bus in Chamundeshwari segment.

The former CM will return to the constituency on Nov.15 and intensify the poll campaign, following which he will go on a State-wide tour to boost the party's prospects in the forthcoming Assembly polls.

Nominated as MCC Corporators

Dhruvaraj

Puttaswamy

Mysuru, Oct. 22 - The State Government has nominated the following persons as MCC Corporators: Congress leaders N. Dhruvaraj of Gayatripuram, R.Shiva of Dharam Singh Colony in Vishweswaranagar and Chouhalli Puttaswamy.

The Government has also annulled the MCC membership of the persons who were nominated to the City Corporation earlier, according to an order issued by the Under-Secretary of Urban Development Department Y. Gopal.

Recitation contest

Mysuru, Oct. 22- The Kanakadasa Jayanthyotsava Samithi has organised a Kanakadasa Keertana and Dasarapada recitation contest at Kaginele B.Ed College, Adichunchanagiri road, Kuvempunagar at 10.30 am on Oct.29. The contest will be held under 5 categories - 5 to 10 years, 11 to 20, 21 to 30, 31 to 41 and above 41. For more details, call: 9845116664 or 9035267720.

Kidnap and assault of farmer

Villagers accuse Police of not arresting culprits

Kidnap and assault victim H.R. Ganesh being helped by his family.

Periyapatna, Oct.22 - Residents of Hemmige village in the taluk have accused the Periyapatna Police of not arresting the culprits who allegedly kidnapped and assaulted a farmer of the village reportedly over a financial dispute.

H.R. Ganesh, a farmer of Hemmige in the taluk, had come to Periyapatna town on Oct. 14 to buy groundnuts, when he was allegedly kidnapped by motorbike borne kidnappers. The kidnappers are said to have first taken Ganesh towards Ravandur side and later he was found with his hands and legs tied at M.M. Hills forest in Kollegal taluk by cattle-grazers who informed the matter to the jurisdictional Ramapura Police.

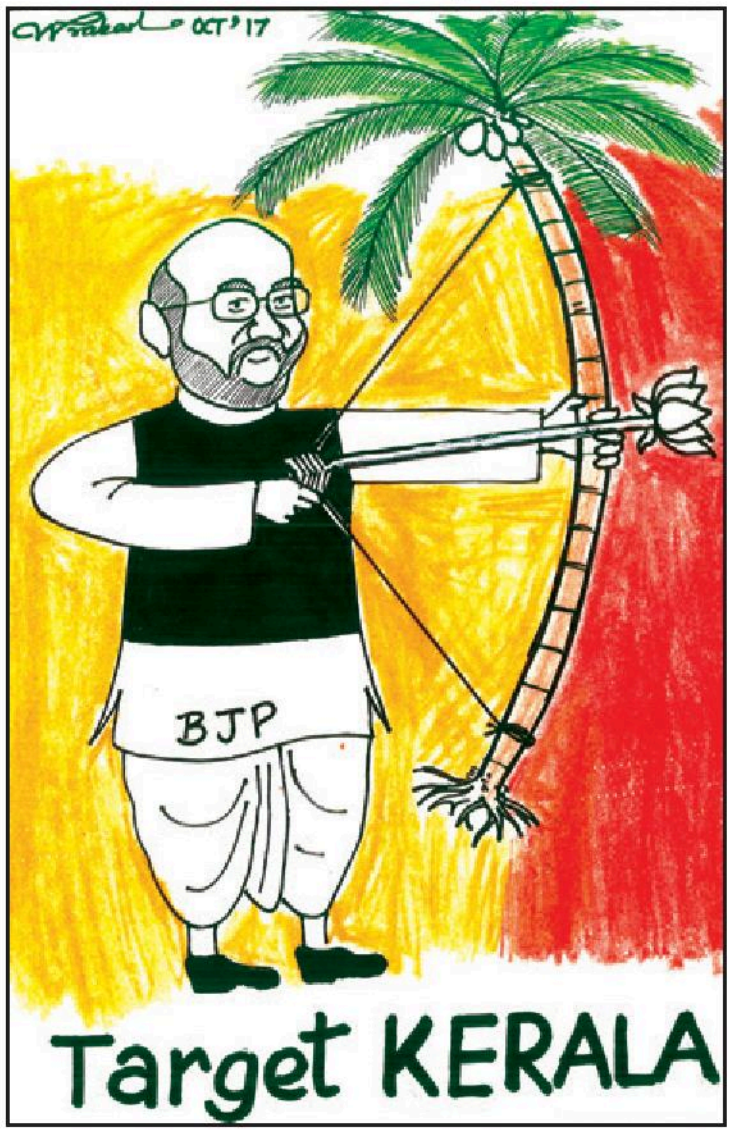
Ganesh, in his complaint to Periyapatna Police, had named Anukumar, Ramesh of Hemmige and Swamy Gowda of Devegowdana Koppalu as the suspects in his kidnap and assault. He had also said in his complaint that the trio had entered into a verbal duel with him a few days ago over payment of balance amount of Rs. 2.8 lakh in connection with purchase of land.

Hemmige villagers allege that the Periyapatna Police had failed to arrest the accused even four days after the registration of FIR.

Meanwhile, Periyapatna CPI H.N. Siddaiah said the incident is said to have occurred due to a financial dispute over purchase of land. The complainant Ganesh has named 3 persons as the suspects. Investigation into the case has begun and the accused will soon be brought to book.

TEASER

By N. Prakash



BJP MPs say NO to their names in Tipu Jayanti official invitation

Bengaluru, Oct.22 - A fresh round of controversy is brewing over the Tipu Jayanti celebrations in the State with BJP MPs asking the Karnataka Government to keep them out of the Nov.10 event and to not even include their names in the invitation.

Union Minister of State for Skill Development and Entrepreneurship Ananth Kumar Hegde, who represents Uttara Kannada in the Lok Sabha and Chikkamagaluru-Udupi MP Shobha Karandlaje have written to the State Government asking it not to mention their names in the official invites.

Hegde, who is known for his hardline Hindutva views, has called Tipu a brutal killer and termed the celebration as shameful while Shobha Karandlaje questioned the need for celebrating the event as Tipu was anti-Hindu.

Many BJP leaders including Dharwad MP Prahlad Joshi and Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha have backed Hegde and Karandlaje.

Obituary

A. Ramamani Murthy

Mysuru, Oct.22 - A. Ramamani Murthy (80), a resident of No. 350-C, *'Sri Narasimha,'* 4th Main, Gokulam Second Stage, passed away here in the wee hours of today.

She leaves behind her daughter Prof. N. Manjula, a former faculty of Vidyavardhaka College of Engineering, son N. Sridhar, Proprietor of Seri Graphics and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at Gokulam crematorium this afternoon, according to family sources. [Family can be contacted on Ph:2410779].

T.N. Anasuya

T.N. Anasuya (75), wife of Dr. M.C. Subba Ramu and a resident of Siddarthanagar, passed away last night at a private Hospital here following a heart attack.

She leaves behind her husband Dr. M.C. Subba Ramu, a daughter, two sons and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites will be performed at the foot of the Chamundi Hill this evening.

Your wild safari to Bandipur, Nagarahole will get costlier

The entry gate at Veeranahosalli of Nagarahole National Park. From this entry point, the safari fee will be Rs. 500 per person.

New rates to come into effect from Nov. 1

Mysuru, Oct. 22 (MTY&BCT)- Come November, your trip to National Parks and Tiger reserves across the State will burn a hole into your pockets as the Forest Department has revised - or call it hiked - tourist tariffs. The revised tariffs will come into effect from November 1.

Now, the entry fee (that is the basic entry fee) per person will be Rs. 250 for the tiger reserves while for the national parks and wildlife sanctuaries, it has been fixed at Rs. 150 per person. For foreigners, it will be Rs. 1,500 per person at tiger reserves and Rs. 1,000 per person at national parks and wildlife sanctuaries. For the jungle safari, a popular segment among tourists, there will be a separate fee of Rs. 300 for adults and Rs. 150 for children (5-12 years) and students. As per the notification, there will also be a separate camera fee.

In all, if you want to visit Bandipur and Nagarahole from Nov. 1, you will have to pay Rs. 250 as entry fee and Rs. 300 as safari charges – that is Rs. 550 per person. Plus, you will have to pay for parking and camera. The notification says that entry fee is the basic rate, payable by all tourists. For other activities, appropriate fees will have to be paid in addition to the entry fee.

In a letter dated Oct. 7, sent to Additional Chief Secretary to the Government, Forest, Ecology and Environment Department, Chief Conservators of Forests (territorial circles), Conservator of Forests and Directors of Bandipur, Nagarahole, Bhadra and Kali Tiger Reserves and other high-ranking Forest officials, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife), Bengaluru has stated that since two years, the tariffs were not revised despite wildlife office units requesting a hike. After considering proposals from various sanctuaries and parks, it was felt there was an urgent need to revise the tariffs for the protected areas, the letter stated. The entry fee would be applicable to all entering the park.

The revised tariffs are applicable in Bandipur, Kali, Bhadra and Biligiri Ranganatha Tiger Reserves, Veeranahosalli, Nanachi and Antharasanthe entry points at Rajiv Gandhi National Park, popular as Nagarahole National Park, Bannerghatta National Park, Kudremukh National Park, Talacauvery, Brahmagiri, Pushpagiri and other wildlife sanctuaries.

Entry fee

As per the new rates, entry fee for Bandipur, Kali, Bhadra, and BRT Reserves and Nagarahole National Park has been revised from Rs. 200 to Rs 250 per person. A foreign national will have to pay Rs. 1,500.

For Kudremukh and Bannerghatta National Parks and wildlife sanctuaries like Bhimgad, Brahmagiri, Pushpagiri, Someshwara and Talacauvery, the tariff has been hiked from Rs. 100 to Rs. 150. A foreigner will have to pay Rs. 1,000.

For smaller wildlife sanctuaries like Nugu, Kodachadri, Ranebennur, Rangayyanadurga and Ramdevarabetta, the rate is still Rs. 25 per person. A foreigner has to pay Rs. 100 here. The entry fee for Ranganathittu Bird Sanctuary will be Rs. 70 while for boat rides, Rs. 70 per person will be charged. For the boat ride, foreign national will have to pay Rs. 400. For chartered boats, the ticket price has been fixed at Rs. 1,500 per person and a foreigner will have to pay Rs. 3,000.

Safari charges

A safari in a departmental bus per person has been increased to Rs. 300, for children and students it is Rs. 150 and the duration of the safari will be approximately one-and-a-half hours. From the entry points at Veeranahosalli and Antharasanthe of Nagarahole National Park, the safari fee (excluding entry fee) will be Rs. 500 per person and the duration of the safari will be approximately two-and-a-half hours. Antharasanthe and Veeranahosalli form the core area of the Nagarahole forest.

It will cost you Rs. 200 person for Safari in a Gypsy or a diesel jeep and a lump-sum amount of Rs. 2,500 to Rs. 4,000 will be charged for a group of tourists depending on the type of the vehicle. A safari in Jungle Lodges vehicles in Bandipur and Nagarahole ranges from Rs. 1,110 to Rs. 2,750 per trip depending on the vehicle.

The famed tiger Prince gives a glimpse to waiting tourists at Bandipur Tiger Reserve. Prince died in April 2017.

Room rent

Room rent for all rest houses and cottages have been revised to Rs. 2,500 per day and a foreigner has to pay Rs. 5,000. Tourists staying at Gajendra VIP rooms at Bandipur and Cauvery VIP room will henceforth have to pay Rs. 1,500 per day and a foreigner has to pay Rs. 2,000 per day. All dormitories will cost Rs. 200 per head and foreigners will have to pay Rs. 500 per head.

In Kodagu Circle, including Pushpagiri cottage, Srimangala, Brahmagiri and Talacauvery cottage will henceforth be charged at Rs. 1,500 per day and Vanasree dormitory will be charged at Rs. 2,400 per day.

Parking charges

Parking charges for vehicles at reception centre or within the premises of rest house, cottage and dormitory will be Rs. 50 for jeep and car per day, Rs. 100 for Light Commercial Vehicles and Rs. 150 for buses and trucks per day. Overnight parking charges range from Rs. 100 to Rs. 300 per night.

Camera charges

Tourists bringing digital single-lens reflex camera (DSLR) without lens will be charged Rs. 200 per unit and DSLR with lens will be charged at Rs. 300 per unit. Amateur photography fee for DSLR above 500 mm length will be charged at Rs. 500 per day. Photography on boat rides will be Rs. 1,500 per trip while the guide fees too has seen a steep hike with fee for safari being Rs. 500 per hour and for trekking Rs. 200 per person.

Tourists wait in safari vehicles at Gaddekolachi at Bandipur Tiger Reserve. From November 1, the Forest Dept. has revised safari tariffs.

ENTRY AND OTHER ACTIVITIES	REVISED RATES
Basic entry fee per person at tiger reserve	Rs. 250
Entry fee for national parks and wildlife sanctuaries	Rs. 150
Jungle safari	R. 300
Entry fee and safari charges at Bandipur and Nagarahole from Nov. 1	Rs. 550
From Veeranahosalli and Antharasanthe of Nagarahole National Park, the safari fee with a total duration of two-and-a-half hours	Rs. 500
Room rent at rest houses and cottages	Rs. 2,500 per day
DSLR camera without lens	Rs. 200
DSLR with lens	Rs. 300
DSLR above 500 mm	Rs. 500
Guide fee for safari	Rs. 500 per hour

Sri Vanamali Seva Award and Dr.Mathoor Krishnamurthy Award presented

***Renowned Neuroscientist Dr. Vijayalakshmi Ravindranath** (left) was conferred Sri Vanamali Seva Award and Paralympic Gold Medallist Dr. Malathi Holla was conferred Dr. Mathoor Krishnamurthy Award at a programme organised by Sri Vanamali Charitable Trust at Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha on JLB Road here last evening. They are seen with Trust President K.Sundarraj, chief guest Dr. T.V. Venkatalacha Shastry, Trustees T.S. Vishwanath and Kumar, Secretary Nagaraj, Trustees Meena Kumar and Bhama Nagaraj.*

Mysuru, Oct. 22 (YDS&DM)- Renowned Neuroscientist *Padmashri* Dr. Vijayalakshmi Ravindranath, Chairperson of the Centre for Neuroscience, Indian Institute of Science (IISc.), Bengaluru, was conferred Sri Vanamali Seva Award while *Padmashri* Dr. Malathi Holla, an International Gold Medallist at paralympic games and also Founder of 'Mathru Foundation' was conferred Dr. Mathoor Krishnamurthy Award at a programme organised by the city's Sri Vanamali Charitable Trust at Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha on JLB Road here last evening.

The awards were presented by Research Scholar Dr. T.V. Venkatalacha Shastry.

Speaking after receiving the award, Dr. Vijayalakshmi Ravindranath said that scientists should only breathe science. However, today, Science has become a hobby for some, she regretted.

Stressing on the need for maintaining professionalism in Science, she said scientists should live a committed life towards science.

Expressing concern over increasing number of deaths due to illness, she called upon the science fraternity to discover the right medicines that will prove to be a boon for patients.

Exhorting the scientists to strive for discovering drugs for diseases that are posing a challenge to mankind, she emphasised on the need for promoting science among young minds. She later gave a demonstration on the recent advances made in Neuroscience.

Paralympic gold medal winner Dr. Malathi Holla, in her address, said that she was a native of Udupi district and grew up in Bengaluru.

Recalling her hostel days, she said that she used to take the warden to task for any wrong doings.

Stating that she developed leadership qualities while staying in the hostel, Dr. Malathi Holla said she started Mathru Foundation in 2005 in order to help deprived children to come up in life.

Pointing out that the Foundation is now home to 27 children, she said the love of parents was most important for children.

Opthalmologist Dr. Madhuri's translated work *'Netradana Bhandara'* was released on the occasion.

Kodava Namme at Balugodu from Oct. 26

Mysuru, Oct. 22 - The annual cultural and sports fest organised by Federation of Kodava Samajas will be held from Oct. 26 to 28 at Balugodu in Virajpet, Kodagu.

Cultural events for three days include Kolaat, Bolakaat, Kathiyaat, Pareyakali, Kappeyaat, Baalopaat, Taalipat, Sambandha Adkovo and Ummathat. Sports events include tug-of-war, coconut shooting and boulder lifting.

On Oct. 26, the hockey tournament will be inaugurated by Vishnu Cariappa at 9 am while women's hockey will be opened by MLC Veena Achaiah at 9.30 am.

On Oct. 27, homage will be paid to those Kodava soldiers and officers who have died fighting wars. Lt. Col. Kandrathanda Subbaiah, President, Field Marshal Cariappa and Gen. Thimmayya Forum, Madikeri will be chief guest.

On Oct. 28, the cultural programmes will be inaugurated at 9.30 am by former President of the Federation Mallengada Dada Belliappa. The finals of hockey match will be held at 2.30 pm. Kodagu District In-charge Minister M.R. Seetharam, MP Pratap Simha and MLC Sunil Subramani will be the chief guests. The entire festival will be held under the supervision of former Minister Meriyanda C. Nanaiah, who is the patron of the Federation of Kodava Samajas, said Federation President Kallichanda Vishnu Cariappa.

Spectacled cobra makes Snake Shyam record his 33,000th catch

Mysuru, Oct. 22- The city's own amateur conservationist, who is also a local Corporator, reached a milestone yesterday by catching 33,000 snakes.

M.S. Balasubramaniam — popularly known as 'Snake Shyam' — recorded his 33,000th catch since he started keeping a count of the number of snakes caught and rescued by him since 1997.

The number was reached at the house of Jayabai, a resident of Chamundeshwari Railway Layout. A huge cobra had taken shelter at her kitchen and Shyam was called to rescue it.

Ask for Balasubramaniam and the name does not strike a resonance among Mysureans. But 'Snake Shyam' is instantly recognised as the friendly and affable snake catcher, who rushes to remove the slithery reptile from one's backyard. The timely action of Shyam has saved the lives of thousands of

snakes as well as human beings

Shyam has been featured in the *National Geographic* channel, which made a special documentary on this naturalist on wheels a few years ago.

Sri Ramakrishna Paramahamsa statue to be unveiled in November first week

Mysuru, Oct. 22 (RK&NNN)- A beautiful marble statue of saint Sri Ramakrishna Paramahamsa will be unveiled in the first week of November at the Ramakrishna Nagar Circle.

Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA), which has developed Ramakrishna Nagar Circle, is awaiting the dates of Chief Minister Siddharamaiah to unveil the statue, said MUDA Chairman D. Dhruvakumar.

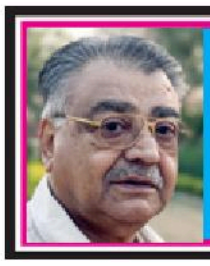
A dome on the lines of K.R. Circle has been built and the Circle has been developed at a cost of Rs. 9.97 crore.

The statue of Ramakrishna Paramahamsa in a meditative sitting posture is getting ready. Including the pedestal, the 15 tonne statue is ten feet in height.

The sculptor is Arun Yogiraj, a well-known name in Mysuru who has sculpted many other famous statues including that of Jayachamaraja Wadiyar installed in Hardinge Circle.

The remaining work near the Circle like laying of the lawn, asphalting and painting work will be completed within a week, said MUDA Assistant Executive Engineer T.K. Ravi.

The beautification of the Circle and the unveiling of Ramakrishna Paramahamsa's statue will change the complete landscape of the area, he said.



Abracadabra... Abracadabra...

By K.B. Ganapathy

Google Boss takes on NDTV Boss with elan-1

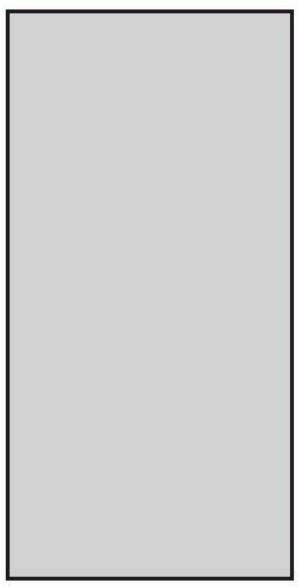
A politician can fight elections from two seats, but you can't vote from two places. If you are in jail then you can't vote. But, a politician can fight elections while in jail.

If you have never been in jail then you can never get a Government job. But, a politician could have been in jail any number of times and then also he can become the Prime Minister or the President.

You have to be a graduate to get any ordinary job in a bank. But, if a politician is illiterate still he can become India's Finance Minister.

If you feel that this system needs to be changed, then support by spreading this message."

— A WhatsApp message with a title "The irritated Indian" with the stamp-size pic of Sundar Pichai and dated 13th October.



Sundar Pichai, Prannoy Roy and Prime Minister Narendra Modi as seen in the interview.

Recently, while scrolling English TV news channels I ran into an interview of **Sundar Pichai,** who has done we Indians proud by rising to the dizzy-height as Google CEO, by NDTV Boss **Prannoy Roy.**

The interview was held at the Googleplex in California and it interested me because in that all-embracing interview, Prannoy Roy had covered varied important and germane subjects in the present digital world that touch everyone of us in our day-to-day life. Sometimes to our own good and sometimes to the good of the State at the cost of our freedom and rights.

The quality of the interview is enhanced further because Prannoy Roy was able to extract from Sundar Pichai the future shape of things to come which will define the future of the humanity, specially in the matter of health, communication and social intercourse leaping into the new world of **'ambient computing.'** A machine or call it Robot "which will work for you while you lead your day-to-day life" according to your choice.

I would think this ultimate freedom of choice and action is similar to what the Spiritual Masters call liberation or enlightenment while still here on earth.

It is generally observed about successful people that they were either eccentrics with their own idiosyncrasy or those who have failed either in their chosen field of activity or slightly nasty in their early days as students or a dropout. It is in this context Prannoy Roy expresses his surprise at the meteoric rise of Sundar Pichai comparatively at an young age. After all, Sundar Pichai does not fit into the old mould generally perceived by the people as expressed by Prannoy Roy. As we know Sundar Pichai was not a dropout, he was a good guy. No wonder, Prannoy Roy asks him, "Don't you have to be slightly nasty to be successful?"

Well, Pichai seems to be a good role-model for all those who carried the wrong impression that to be successful one has to be a dropout or nasty! Even a good guy can be successful. Pichai himself has said this in his own beautiful way: "I have always felt being good guy and doing well aren't necessarily at odds with each other."

Prannoy Roy mentions about the food courts in the Google campuses with admiration and Sundar Pichai agrees and talks about the special dish called 'Google 15' and adds "when you join Google, within the first year people tend to gain about 15 pounds." The first sin!

However, important questions follow. About the next big thing that is to happen, the **Artificial Intelligence (AI)** and machine learning. Here, there seems to be good as also evil that the humanity may face — with the emergence of Artificial Intelligence. "Artificial Intelligence, for sure, over a long run, is the most powerful technology the humans will invent," opines Sundar Pichai. Some with weak hearts will apprehend that the **World War III** will be caused by Artificial Intelligence.

The question, according to Pichai, is: **Do we end up developing something we cannot control?** Indeed, there is a deep real concern. Fortunately, Pichai says AI is still far away, at least another 20 years.

When asked for one example of a possible danger for Artificial Intelligence, Pichai says that it may make decisions which may not benefit the humanity. The scientific, the biological and medical communities are likely to do better with Artificial Intelligence. Pichai mentions one possibility of Artificial Intelligence where it can shape health care.

He said, Google had done some work on **diabetic retinopathy,** which is a cause for blindness but using AI machine we can detect it much better than humans can. If a tool like this is available, probably in the next 10 years, the Ophthalmologists, who are trained, can go to rural places in India, for example, and help diagnose the problem.

At one point, Prannoy Roy, probably in jest, says that the main causes for environmental degradation are human beings and the Artificial Intelligence machine or robot may decide that if human beings are creating a problem it is best to get rid of them!

Civil war in India?

According to Prannoy Roy, there was a massive study using AI on India and they are predicting a civil war in India during the next 5-10 years. Sundar Pichai was apparently surprised if not shocked and asks: "Based on AI?"

Prannoy Roy says, "Yes and other big data."

But for Sundar Pichai scenarios of doom like this seemed rather imaginary.

Sundar Pichai shoots down such doomsday prophecy by left-of-centre political ideologues like Prannoy Roy saying, "I think we should worry about a lot of things, but scenarios like that seems farfetched to me." Period.

Now look at the reactions of Prannoy Roy to Sundar Pichai rubbishing such fears of a civil war in India.

[To be continued]

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Trump says he will allow release of J.F. Kennedy killing files

Donald Trump

Washington, Oct. 22- US President Donald Trump said that he will allow long blocked secret files on the assassination of John F. Kennedy to be opened to the public for the first time. The November 22, 1963 assassination — an epochal event in modern US history — has spawned multiple theories challenging official version that Kennedy was killed by a lone gunman, Lee Harvey Oswald.

So the release of all the secret documents has been eagerly anticipated by historians and conspiracy theorists alike. Trump's announcement followed reports that not all the files would be released, possibly to protect still relevant intelligence sources and methods.

But Trump appears to have decided otherwise. "Subject to the receipt of further information, I will be allowing, as President, the long blocked and classified JFK FILES to be opened," he said in the tweet.

The files are due to be opened in their entirety on Thursday nearly 54 years after Kennedy's assassination in Dallas — unless the US President decides otherwise. Millions of classified Kennedy files have been made public under a 1992 law passed in response to a surge in public demand for disclosure in the wake of Oliver Stone's conspiracy-heavy movie on the assassination

Three arrested for assault

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Police sources told *Star of Mysore* that over four to five persons were rounded off and yesterday night they were paraded in front of Nagalambika and Nanjundaswamy who identified Syed Asru, Aijaz Pasha and Nazeer Ahmed. Police said that the proprietors of Kauvery Silk Udyog Chand Pasha and Kabir were also parties to the assault and they were absconding.

Police said that they have obtained definite clues about Pasha and Kabir and they would be arrested soon. Kabir has a couple of cases registered against him, including assault and criminal intimidation, at different Police stations in the city, Police added.

Ending the road Bend: Protest Zone

Maj. Gen. (Rtd.) S.G. Vombatkere is seen addressing the protesters at Kalamandira premises in city this morning.

This is the bend which is causing trouble for the drivers of motor vehicles.

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"If at all there are accidents, motorists have to be blamed not the landscape," Maj. Gen. Vombatkere said and added that representations against the project have been sent to Chief Minister Siddharamaiah, PWD and Mysuru District In-charge Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa, MLA Vasu and others.

Participating in the protest, *Star of Mysore* Editor-in-Chief K.B. Ganapathy said that the government is wasting Rs. 12 crore for the project. "First they sanction money and next they prepare the plan. Is there any logic to this?" he questioned. Expert engineers can find a way out and a scientific way of avoiding accidents can be implemented here, he opined and said that more protests like the *"Appiko Chaluvali"* (hugging trees to prevent cutting) will be held.

"Instead of straightening roads and curves, we must focus on changing minds to establish social equality," he said. Citing Police records, Ganapathy said that out of 100 accidents on this particular stretch, over 60 accidents are the result of drunken driving that mostly occur late in the night or in the wee hours. "In such a case, we need to question the logic behind such a destructive project," he felt.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore*, Civil Contractor S. Shylajesha said, "every place, every person, every little thing has its own identity. Each and every road, house and the trees grown tall at every corner has its own identity. Mysuru as a whole is the identity. We have to retain the small elements that make Mysuru so special."

"Every road has a curve, deviation and they are the essence of roads. And there are trees on either sides of it which makes them pleasant and peaceful. They not only provide shade to us but also shelter to a wide variety of wild forms. The trees, the lungs of earth, are keeping the roads alive. Every curve in the road is very important," he added.

MGP President S.D. Saokar said that if at all the road is straightened, it will increase the existing speed of vehicles and lead to more accidents. MGP members and other environmental activists Ko.Su. Narasimha Murthy, B.S. Shankar, Vasanthkumar Mysoremath, Rotary Mysore President K.R. Shantha Murthy and others took part.

Move to evict Dharam Singh Colony slum dwellers: Ramdas stages protest

Mysuru, Oct. 22 (MTY&DM)- Accusing the Karnataka Slum Clearance Board (KSCB) of making attempts to evict slum dwellers in Dharam Singh Colony, former Minister and BJP leader S.A. Ramdas staged a demonstration at the spot this morning against the KSCB's move.

Ramdas, who arrived at the spot along with his followers after coming to know that KSCB personnel had visited the spot earlier this morning to ask the dwellers to vacate, said that there were 38 families living at the site and it was the responsibility of MCC and other authorities concerned to construct individual houses to these families under the Central Government's RAY scheme (Rajiv Awas Yojana). But the KSCB authorities, after adding 17 more families to the original list of 38 families, were now planning to construct G + 3 houses to these families rather than individual ones as per the original plan, he claimed and alleged that a mafia was behind the KSCB's move.

Ramdas further alleged that the KSCB had failed to provide detailed and full list of RAY scheme beneficiaries, even though he had filed an application under RTI Act, seeking the same.

He also said that a memorandum will be submitted in this regard to the Deputy Commissioner tomorrow.

The Vidyaranyapuram Police who arrived at the spot, persuaded Ramdas to withdraw the stir.

Corporators B.V.Manjunath and Jagadish, leaders Vadivelu, Santhosh, Hemanth and others took part in the protest.

Rain effect: Vegetable prices soar in city

Mysuru, Oct. 22 (US&SP)- Heavy rains that lashed the State recently have pushed up the prices of vegetables. The residents of city, just coming out of the scare of inundation from recent rains, now have to bear the brunt of costly vegetables.

Almost all vegetables have seen a steep rise in prices. Tomato has shot up to Rs.50 per Kg. (Rs. 20 earlier), Onion to Rs. 40 (Rs. 25 earlier), Beans to Rs.120 (Rs. 60 earlier), Brinjal to Rs.60 (earlier Rs.40), Cabbage to Rs. 60 (earlier Rs. 20), Carrot to Rs. 80 (earlier Rs. 40) and so on. The rates are about Rs.5 less per Kg at HOPCOMS outlets as per yesterday's figures and may go up now.

HOPCOMS District Supervisor Srinivas Datta attributes the price rise to rain and damage of crops in neighbouring villages.

Push cart vendors too are facing the problem as consumers tend to bargain on price and sale had come down owing to price rise. Consumers with no way to go have begun to reduce consumption of vegetables to beat the price rise and include cheaper alternatives in recipes.

However a few sources said that vegetables were being sent to Kerala resulting in short fall of stock, thus pushing up prices.

The situation may not ease for the next two or three weeks unless vegetables arrive from other states.

Day-long seminar on Chromatography held

Dr. P.V. Salimath, Dr. Prashantha Kumar, Dr. Ajit Datar, Dr. T.M. Pramod Kumar, Dr. H.N. Shankar, Dr. G.V. Pujar and others seen during the inauguration of the seminar at JSS College of Pharmacy.

Mysuru, Oct. 22 (KS)- The Department of Pharmaceutical Chemistry of JSS College of Pharmacy, Mysuru, had organised a seminar on "Chromatography - Basics and Advances" with the objective to impart the knowledge on chromatographic sciences and their applications in the pharmaceutical research at its premises here recently.

Dr. P.V. Salimath and Dr. T. M. Pramodkumar, Principal, JSS College of Pharmacy, Mysuru, inaugurated the workshop.

Dr. B. R. Prashantha Kumar gave an overview of the seminar and explained the objectives of the programme.

Dr. Salimath, in his inaugural address, narrated his experiences with chromatographic experiments and called upon participants to utilise the opportunity to upgrade the knowledge on chromatography.

Dr. T. M. Pramod Kumar, in his Presidential remarks, congratulated the organisers for hosting the event on very relevant topic. Dr. Ajit Datar, Senior Scientist, Shimadzu Company, Mumbai, Dr. H. N. Shankara from Mysore University and M. A. Srinivasa from CFTRI, Mysuru were the resource persons.

Dr. H. N. Shankara spoke on different strategies for analytical method development using HPLC and provided insights on the career opportunities for skilled professionals in the chromatography domain.

Dr. Datar gave an overview of LC-MS instrumentation and its applications in pharmaceutical and allied sciences. M. A. Sreenivasa, a Scientist from CFTRI, Mysuru spoke on applications of chromatography with special reference to Food Analysis.

More than 300 student delegates and research scholars from various institutions in and around Mysuru participated in the seminar.

Counselling programme for women held in city

Mysuru, Oct. 22 (KS)- Family Planning Association of India (FPAI) and ULBA Hospital, Mysuru Branch, in association with Rotary Mysuru East conducted an Information Education Counselling (IEC) programme for women at Sri Sanjeevini Suraksha Shikshana Trust, Pushpashrama premises in city recently.

The programme was inaugurated by Rtn. G. Arun Kumar Singh, President of Rotary Mysuru East.

D.S. Shashikumar, Hon. Secretary, FPAI, Mysuru Branch and Dr. Nayana Kiran, resource person and member of FPAI Mysuru Branch presided.

Dr. Nayana Kiran spoke about sexual and reproductive health and rights, menstrual hygiene, various family planning methods and importance of health.

Adibha Kazi of Rotary Mysuru East, A.M. Ashok Kumar, Founder of Sri Sanjeevini Suraksha Shikshana Trust, R. Soma, Board Member and others took part in the programme.

Foreign delegation visits RUDSET Institute

Mysuru, Oct. 22- An 80-member foreign delegation visited RUDSET Institute at Hinkal, Mysuru, recently.

The visitors, from 28 countries, belonging to Afro-Asia and Middle East were briefed about functioning of RUDSET by Dr. N.G. Lakshman Rao, Director of the Institute. He also explained about the Corporate Social Responsibility of Syndicate Bank and Canara Bank which are leading nationalised Banks. The foreign nationals also interacted with the trainees.

Centre of Excellence in Mechatronics Training and Engineering Research launched

Mysuru, Oct. 22 (KS)- The Department of Mechanical Engineering, Maharaja Institute of Technology (MIT) Mysuru inaugurated its 'Centre of Excellence in Mechatronics Training and Engineering Research (CEMTER)' at its premises here recently.

The CEMTER was inaugurated by Dr. N. Muthukumar, President and Whole-time Director-Automotive Axels Limited, Mysuru in the presence of P. Krishna Kumar, Vice President of Brakes India Limited, Najangud, Dr. K.R. Prakash of NIE, Mysuru.

Speaking on the occasion, Dr. B.G. Naresh Kumar, Principal of MIT and Trustee, Maharaja Education Trust complimented the Department of Mechanical Engineering for establishing such a state-of-the-art laboratory beyond the regular curriculum of university and promised to continue to support in all possible ways for future projects in the interest of serving the students community and uplifting the educational standards.

The CEMTER is equipped with several Mechatronics training kits of latest technology having provision to learn and conduct a number of experiments. The trainees can develop software algorithms and execute the same through electronic circuitry and sensors to activate various mechanisms and processing set ups. The curriculum is designed from the industrial requirements and application perspective.

The training programmes at CEMTER are designed to cater the needs of the industry in training industrial personnel on Mechatronics circuits and sensor assemblies.

In brief, the CEMTER is well composed with the facility to prepare the candidates on Automation and Robotics. The training centre is open for candidates and trainees of other educational organisations as well from the industry.

International Day of Girl Child celebrated

Mysuru, Oct. 22 (KS)- Family Planning Association of India (FPAI) Mysuru Branch and ULBA Hospital, Mysuru had organised programmes to create awareness on International Day of The Girl Child for community women on at Anganawadi premises in Ramanahalli near here recently.

The programme was inaugurated by Rekha Mahadev, Gram Panchayat President, Rammanahalli. Issues like gender equality, importance of girls' education, accessibility of health services and early marriages were discussed.

International Day Of The Girl Child was also celebrated in association with Rotary Ivory City Mysuru at Anganawadi premises in Hanchya in the taluk. This programme was inaugurated by Shobha Nagaraj, Community Services Director, Rotary Ivory City Mysuru.

D.S. Shashikumar, Hon. Secretary, FPA India, Mysuru Branch presided over both the events. Kumaraswamy, Gram Panchayat President, Hanchya and others were present on the occasion.

Kittur Rani Chennamma Jayanti

Mysuru, Oct. 22 (US)- The District Administration has organised a function on Oct.23 at 10.30am at Kalamandira here to mark Kittur Rani Chennamma Jayanti. District Minister Dr.H.C. Mahadevappa will inaugurate. MLA Vasu will preside. Former Chairperson of State Women's Commission Manjula Manasa will speak on the achievements of Rani Chennamma.

Mysore City Inter-collegiate men's basketball tourney

Vidya Vardhaka College of Engineering triumphs

The Vidya Vardhaka College of Engineering (VVCE), Mysore men's basketball team which won the Mysore city Inter-collegiate basketball tournament 2017-18, seen with the trophy. Also seen are B.Girish, University of Mysore's basketball coach, N.S.Subramanya, Convener, Mysore city Inter-collegiate tournament, Omprakash, Retd. SAI basketball coach and Dinesh, Treasurer, MDBBA.

Mysuru, Oct. 22- Vidya Vardhaka College of Engineering, Mysore's hoopsters in the men's section won the Mysore City Inter-collegiate basketball tournament 2017-18, conducted jointly by the Institute of Education and Department of Physical Education, UoM at the University basketball courts here by beating SJCE, Mysore in the final.

Vidya Vardhaka College of Engineering, Mysore, beat SJCE, Mysore 49-46 and clinched the coveted title.

MDRA rifle shooters excel

Mysuru, Oct. 22- The shooters of the Mysore District Rifle Association (MDRA), taking part in the United India Games held at Mapusa, Goa, have performed well and won medals.

Rakshith Shastry (gold-10m air pistol), Bharath Kumar (silver-10m air pistol), Diya Ponnappa (two silver medals), Jeet Sulake (gold 10m air rifle), Renuka Sulake (gold-10m air rifle) and P.S. Nagaraj (silver-10m air rifle).

The shooters are coached by M.S. Suresh.

Denmark Open Badminton

Srikanth enters men's singles final

Odense, Oct. 22- India's Kidambi Srikanth playing excellently scored a well earned win over Hong Kong's Wong Wing Ki Vincent 21-18, 21-17 and entered the men's singles final in the USD 7,50,000$ Denmark Open on Saturday.

Srikanth, who had won the Indonesian Open and the Australian Open this year gave a splendid display to outwit his rival Vincent to two well contested games.

SPORTS QUIZ

1. What does the term S.A.I. stand for?
2. In which sport is the term 'Drop shot' associated with ?
3. The 'Irani Trophy' is associated with which sport?
4. Which city is hosting the FIBA Asia Cup U-16 women's basketball?
5. Whom did Mali beat to reach the FIFA U-17 World Cup football semi-finals?

1. Sports Authority of India. 2. Badminton.
3. Cricket. 4. Bengaluru.
5. Mali beat Ghana 2-1 in the quarter-finals.

THIS Week

Talented Athlete — R. Sagar

Athletics is a global sport and is very popular in the sporting scene. It is considered as the Mother of all sports. Our city's athlete **R. Sagar,** taking part in the 89th Annual University of Mysore's inter-collegiate athletic meet 2017-18 from 13th-15th October 2017, created two new records in the 110m Hurdles for men and was part of the record breaking 4x100m relay quartet of the Basudeva Somani FGC college team. He is our *"Star This Week."*

Sagar, a II year B.A. student at the Basudeva Somani FGC, Mysuru, is an upcoming athlete who has been doing well in the Senior level in the State and National meets. Sagar, taking part in the 89th Annual University of Mysore's Inter-collegiate athletic meet, created a new record in the men's 110m Hurdles event. He won the gold with a timing of 14.91s, erasing the previous record of 15.19s set by J. Mahendra Rao of Basudeva Somani FGC in 2010-11.

Athlete R. Sagar

Sagar was also part of the gold winning 4x100m Relay quartet of Basudeva Somani FGC (Rohit Kumar Singh, Suhas S. Gowda and Boby Sabu), who set a new meet record of 44.42s, erasing the previous record of 44.63s set in 2016-17 by Basudeva Soamni FGC athletes.

Sagar has represented Karnataka State in the National level and has won second place in the Senior State meet in the 110m Hurdles. Sagar represented the University of Mysore in the All-India Inter-University meet held at Chennai last year and gained valuable exposure taking part in the meet.

Encouraged by Basudeva Somani FGC and its Physical Director Sadashiva Bhat, R.Sagar, intends to represent the University of Mysore and perform well in the All India Inter-University level and win a medal. He also trains at SAI, Bengaluru and is coached by athletic coach Venu.

He aims to work hard in the days to come and represent the country in the International level. Hope this talented athlete from Basudeva Somani FGC, Mysuru, achieves his goal in the coming days.

City's MMA fighters win laurels at National Championship

Seen in the picture are** (from left) **Yashas, Darshan, Kru Vikram, Kavyashree and Sathvik.

Mysuru, Oct. 22 (KS)- Mixed Martial Arts (MMA) fighters of Academy of Martial Science, Mysuru, who participated in the MMA National Championship in Bubaneshwar, Orissa recently, have bagged a Silver and two Bronze medals for the State.

Around 200 MMA fighters from 24 States participated in the championships.

Results: Kavyashree: Bronze Medal-Female Straw Weight; Sathvik- Bronze Medal-Bantam Weight; Yashas- Silver Medal-Feather Weight; Darshan-Quarter Finalist-Fly Weight.

Interestingly, Kavya is the first female MMA fighter from Mysuru to have achieved this feat for the second time in a row after Bengaluru open MMA Championships. They are trained by Kru.Vikram at AMS.

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'All Shiva bhakts are not Hindus'

Nidumamidi Seer inaugurates Bali Chakravarthi Smaranotsava

Mysuru, Oct. 22 (RKB&BCT)- After Pejawar Seer Sri Vishwesha Theertha Swamiji's statement that Lingayat community should remain in the fold of Hindu religion as they are not different from each other, Nidumamidi Mutt Seer Sri Veerabhadra Channamalla Swamiji has said that all Shiva bhakts are not Hindus. He begged to differ from what Pejawar Seer and some other pontiffs had stated recently.

Speaking at *"Bali Chakravarthi Smaranotsava"* programme organised by 'Bharatha Moola Nivasigala Samskruthi, Sahitya, Adhyayana Mathu Samshodhana Samsthe' at Town Hall on Friday, he said that a few pontiffs, including Vishwesha Theertha Swamiji, have been claiming that those who worship Shiva are Hindus.

It may be recalled here that the Pejawar Seer had said in Udupi that the Dvaita and Advaita schools had fundamental philosophical differences but were branches of the same Vedic religion.

The two traditions of Lingayat and Veerashaiva could never be separate. The Seer said that when people of both these traditions were worshipping Shiva as their chief deity, doing Shiva Panchakshari Japa and offering prayers to the Shiva Linga, how they could be different or separate from the Hindu religion.

Nidumamidi Mutt Seer Sri Veerabhadra Channamalla Swamiji is seen beating the Nagari (drum) to inaugurate Bali Chakravarthi Smaranotsava at Town Hall here on Friday as Urilingipeddi Mutt Seer Sri Jnanaprakash Swamiji, former Mayor Purushotham, Prof. B.P. Mahesh Chandra Guru and others look on.

Countering the Pejawar Seer, Veerabhadra Channamalla Swamiji of Manava Dharma Peetha, Bengaluru, said that the original inhabitants (Moola Nivasigalu) have been subjected to oppression by people who follow Vedic tradition. "Devotees who worshipped Shiva were their targets first. There are as many as 18 different communities who follow Shiva's tradition in India and these communities oppose the Vedic system. It is high time all communities in the country strengthen their existence.

Religious heads and political leaders of communities must understand that a few politicians are trying to impose a single religion system in India which has multi-culture, religion, and languages. It is a threat to the democratic set-up of our nation, he opined.

Urilingipeddi Mutt Seer Sri Jnanaprakash Swamiji presided over the programme. Former Mayor Purushotham, senior advocate of High Court H.S. Mohan Kumar, Maharaja's College Professor Dr. V. Shanmugham, Prof. B.P. Mahesh Chandra Guru of Journalism Department at Manasagangothri and others were present.

Earlier, a colourful procession with the portrait of *Bali Chakravarthi* was taken out from Kote Maramma Temple premises to the Town Hall. Artistes dressed up as Buddha, Bali Chakravarthi, Mahisha, Ravana and Shahu Maharaj drew the attention of passers-by along the procession route.

State-level conference on 'Consolidation of Banking Sector in India' held

Mysuru, Oct. 22 (KS) - A day-long State-level conference on 'Consolidation of Banking Sector in India: Charting The Future,' organised by the Department of Commerce and Management, Vidyavardhaka First Grade College (VVFGC), was held at the college premises here recently.

The conference was inaugurated by Dr. B.H. Suresh, Professor of Commerce, Department of Studies in Commerce, Manasagangothri along with other dignitaries. Dr. Suresh also delivered the inaugural address.

Dr. M.S. Moodithaya, Registrar, Nitte University, Mangalore, who delivered the keynote address, contextualised the conference topic elaborately and said that **in business section 'Yesterday means experience, tomorrow means aspiration and today means experimentation.'**

He stressed on the paradigm shift from agrarian to the industrial and to the service sector and highlighted five continents through five fingers — the thumb finger is Asian continent which contributes highest GDP; index finger is Europe with democracy and legislature having 11% of the population contributes 36% of the GDP; middle finger is North America with 8% of population contributes 34% of the GDP; ring finger is South America with 6% percent of the population contributes 7% of the GDP and the little finger is Africa's contribution.

Picture shows the dignitaries during the inauguration of the conference at Vidyavardhaka First Grade College (VVFGC) in city recently.

He suggested how to cope up with the trend of global business which is also a mysterious hurdle.

Expressing his views on young minds, he said that today the youths are more comfortable with the technology than the human beings, because they easily deal with Facebook than face-to-face interaction. He concluded his talk by saying that global banking means a friend in need is a friend indeed.

Prof. H.J. Chandrashekar, Associate Professor, welcomed. Dr. S. Marigowda, Principal, VVFGC introduced the subject of the conference.

Gundappa Gowda, President of Vidya Vardhaka Sangha, presided. P. Vishwanath , Hon. Secretary, V.V Sangha, S.N. Lakshminarayan, Hon. Treasurer V.V Sangha, Prof. N. Geetha, Conference Convener and others were present.

World Standards Day celebrated

Mysuru, Oct. 22- H.R. Prabhu, Regional Director, National Productivity Council, Ministry of Industry, explained the sustainable development as 'development that meets the needs of the present, without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.'

He was speaking at the World Standards Day celebration with the theme *"Standards Makes Cities Smarter,"* organised by the Institution of Engineers on JLB Road here recently. "Sustainable development is also applied to energy and environment. Fuels and energy sources, land and raw materials are non-renewable energy. They should be used only as far they can be substituted in future, where they are renewable. They should be used up at a rate within which they can be renewed," he said. "Sufficient fresh water, universal access to cleaner energy, the ability to travel efficiently from one point to another, a sense of safety and security, better city governance, are all a part of making cities smarter," said Prabhu and explained various IEC and BIS Standards relevant to smart cities.

IEI Chairman M. Chinnaswamy, IEI Hon. Secretary B.V. Ravindranath, Karnataka Renewable Energy Development Limited (KREDL) Project Engineer and programme convener D.K. Dinesh Kumar were present.

Ph.D awardee

Mysuru, Oct. 22- The Visvesvaraya Technological University, Belagaavi, has awarded Ph.D in Applied Sciences (Biotechnology) to **Ramith Ramu** for his thesis titled *'Investigation of Banana (Musa sp.var. Nanjangud Rasabale) Flower and Pseudostem in the management of Hyperglycaemia'*. [Guide: Dr. M.N. Nagendra Prasad].

Coaching camp for UPSC and KPSC exam

Entrance test on Nov.12

Mysuru, Oct.22 (US&SP) - The District Administration, Pramathi Hill View Academy and Navodaya Foundation together are organising an eight-month coaching camp along with accommodation for aspirants taking up UPSC and KPSC Competitive examination. The entrance test to select candidates for the camp will be held on Nov. 12 at 10 am at Pramathi Hill View Academy in Kuvempunagar here.

Disclosing this at a press meet at Pathrakarthara Bhavan here yesterday, Academy Founder President and BJP leader H.V. Rajeev said that a school of civil services has been established and the first class commenced from April.

He further said that four candidates who took coaching at the school had qualified in the UPSC preliminary examination and 35 in KAS preliminary.

The second batch will commence from Dec 25. The result of the entrance test to be held on Nov.12 will be announced on Nov.30 at the Office of Navodaya Foundation at Ramaswamy Circle. Interview for 200 candidates selected in the test will be held on Dec.12.

Totally 60 candidates, with preference to rural and economically backward candidates, will be finally selected for coaching camp, explained Rajeev.

He said that the coaching will cover both preliminary and main examinations and trainers from various States would coach the candidates.

He asked interested candidates to upload their details on *www.navodayafoundation.in*

He added that on the anvil was a coaching camp for IIT entrance test for PU students.

Convenor Dr. S.R.Ravi, Clean Mysore Foundation Secretary Madhukesh, Gundlupet JSS First Grade College Principal Dr.N. Mahadevaswamy and Professor Pranesh were present at the press meet.

Assault on BSP leader: Action sought against cops

Mysuru, Oct. 22- Members of Bahujan Samaj Party (BSP) will stage a protest in front of Chief Minister Siddharamaiah's house if action is not taken against Metagalli Inspector Sunil Kumar and Constable Shivakumar.

They alleged that Sunil Kumar and Shivakumar had assaulted and abused BSP activist Ananthanagu.

Addressing a press conference at Pathrakarthara Bhavan yesterday, BSP General Secretary K.N. Prabhuswamy alleged that Ananthanagu was being targeted by the Police for no fault of his and the Police had behaved in a high-handed manner.

Demanding action against the accused Policemen, he has threatened to stage a protest in front of CM's house in the coming days. Prabhuswamy added that a complaint against the Policemen has been sent to City Police Commissioner who has failed to take any action.

MDJA condoles scribe's death

Mysuru, Oct. 22(SP)- Tributes were paid to city journalist M.G. Rajesh, who passed away in a road mishap recently, at the condolence meeting organised by Mysuru District Journalists Association (MDJA) at Pathrakarthara Bhavan here on Saturday.

Floral tributes were offered to the portrait of Rajesh. Speakers at the meeting recalled the services of Rajesh to journalism, especially sports journalism.

Music University Registrar Dr. Niranjan Vanalli, University of Mysore Physical Education Department former faculty Prof. Seshanna, MDJA President C.K. Mahendra, *Star of Mysore* Chief Reporter S.T. Ravikumar, press photographer Pragati Gopalkrishna, International athlete Yogendra, Department of Youth Empowerment and Sports official Suresh and others attended the meeting.

Deepavali Kavigoshti on Oct. 29

Mysuru, Oct. 22- Karnataka Rajya Sarvajana Mahila Hitharakshana Vedike and Yashu Children and Cultural Academy together have organised Deepavali Kavigoshti on Oct. 29 at 11 am. Those interested can register their names before Oct. 26. For details call Mob: 94496-80130 or 89716-18436.

Winners of Ayur Quiz Contest

Mysuru, Oct.22 - As part of National Ayurveda Day, the city's Government Ayurveda College and Research Centre had organised an Ayur Quiz Contest at Gopalaswamy PU College, Nanjumalige on Oct.17.

The winners of the contest are as follows: First prize-Chandana and Paramesh, Second prize-Chandan and Narayani, Third prize-Lavanya and Sashank. More than 300 students of the College had taken part in the quiz contest.

Government Ayurveda College and Research Centre's Asst. Director Dr. L.N. Shenoy, faculty Dr. Carolina, Dr. Deepashri, Dr.Supritha, Gopalaswamy PU College Principal Panduranga Vittal and others were present.

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WORD OF THE DAY

Wizened

Pronunciation: Wiz-uh nd; wee-zuhnd
Meaning: Dried; shrivelled; withered; shrunken; as in - a wizened flower.
Origin: Wizened is the past participle of wizen which means "to wither, to dry," originated from the Old English word wisnian.

THE ODD WORD

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Style of abstract art.

IDIOM OF THE DAY

A Charley Horse

Meaning: Stiffness in the leg /a leg cramp.
Origin: 'Charley horse' (sometimes misspelled 'Charlie horse') is an American phrase and originated in the sport of baseball. The term is very much American and not in use in many other English-speaking countries. All the early citations of the phrase relate to baseball in some way or another. The earliest is from The Fort Wayne Gazette, July 1887:
"Whatever ails a player this year they call it 'Charley horse'. 'Tom and Jerry horse' would fit many cases."

QUOTE BOX

Talent wins games, but teamwork wins championships.

—Michael Jordan

RIDDLE THIS

A box without hinges, lock or key, yet golden treasure lies within. Who am I?

Answer: An Egg.

SUDOKU

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Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

NOTE: *A wrong puzzle was published under yesterday's Sudoku column. The correct puzzle and the answers are published below. The error is regretted.* **— Ed.**

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CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Energy Design Technique, abbr.
4 At any __: whatever happens?
8 Popular TV show hosted by Big B
11 Lowly mongrel
12 High up or overhead
14 Angle-of-attack, abbr.
15 Kimono sash
16 Something often said
17 "Gangnam Style" rapper
18 Narcotic drug or inside information?
20 ___ At Sea : Laurel & Hardy's adventure as sailors?
22 Lost a lot of vital fluid?
24 Consternation
26 Tie with rope
27 Made a mistake
28 Type of scan done in the hosp.
29 Set of principles
30 Knock outs, abbr.
33 In front or leading
34 Long iron bar?
35 Scared or fearful
37 Just the one
38 ___one's lid: lost one's temper
39 Related
41 Aerospace Industries Assoc.
42 Belgian city
45 All points addressable, abbr.
48 abbreviation for Commander?
49 Exasperate
50 Used a fork or spade
51 20th letter of the alphabet
52 Keeps troubling or worrying
53 Simian?

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER:

L	E	H	■	E	T	C	■	I	R	M	A	
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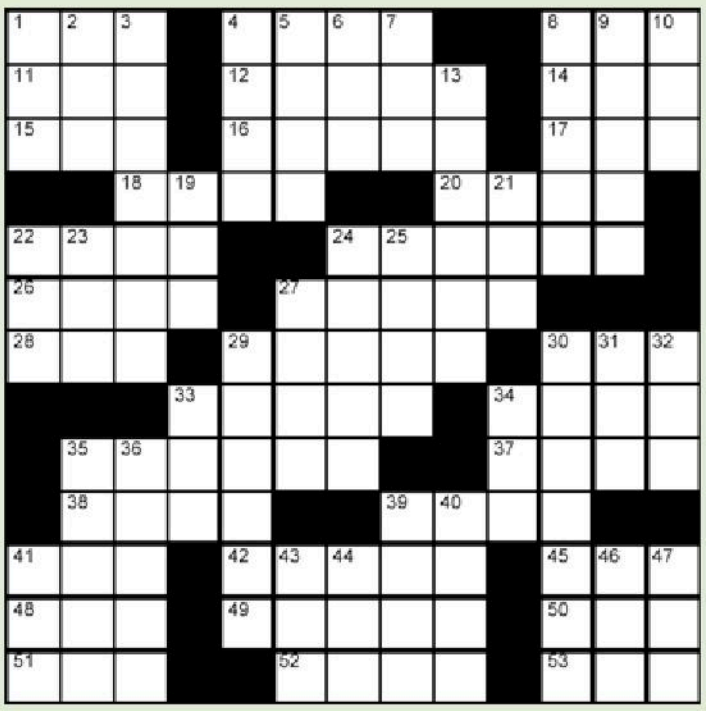
DOWN

1 Prefix - as in ___logy or ___nomy?
2 Confer a knighthood on
3 A three-pronged instrument or weapon
4 Gradual slope joining two level surfaces
5 Bitter fruit
6 Nursery schooler?
7 Salamander or newt
8 Tenth letter of the Greek alphabet
9 Overbearing and domineering
10 A small low island
13 Threw into the air
19 Singular or peculiar in a strange or eccentric way
21 Intel competitor
22 On the TV it gives us the latest international news
23 "Ali" turning into a girl?
24 Fear or awe
25 Angered or angry, poetically speaking?
27 Able was I, ___ saw Elba? (3,1)
29 Astronaut: Kalpana ___
30 Language of Karnataka
31 Apply lubricants to
32 Crafty, cunning and unpleasant
33 `Were' in the present tense
34 A French king
35 Dwell or reside; tolerate
36 Blaze or fire
39 In excited eagerness
40 Guides in different subjects for the school children?
41 ____for: be representative of?
43 Auberge
44 Spanish queen
46 Young animal
47 Number of years in existence



CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

W JCXO GCMUWME, ZHA W XJWMU GFROPZ HMO HZ

XJO VORX HZ XJOG, CME W UMHB JHB VCE W CG

TODAY'S CLUE: X EQUALS T

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: The Internet is like alcohol in some sense.
It accentuates what you would do anyway. If you want to be a loner, you can be more alone. If you want to connect, it makes it easier to connect.

NOW SHOWING

Movie	Theatre	Phone	Shows
KANNADA			
Sathya Harishchandra	Saraswathi	2541451	4 Shows
	Prabha	2423569	4 Shows
Tarak	Gayathri	2443568	4 Shows
Dayavittu Gamanisi	Lido	2420885	4 Shows
Kataka	Shanthala	2427584	4 Shows
Bharjari	Lakshmi	2443584	4 Shows
	Sangam	2520494	4 Shows
Kariya-2	Woodlands	2422871	4 Shows
	Skyline	2481170	4 Shows
Gayatri	Olympia	2420737	4 Shows
TELUGU			
Raja The Great	Rajkamal	2423554	4 Shows
TAMIL			
Mersal	Sri Maruthi	9980351129	4 Shows
	Sterling	2481170	4 Shows
	Thibbadevi	2452958	4 Shows
	Padma	2521923	4 Shows
	Mahadeshwara	9900820093	4 Shows
HINDI			
Golmaal Again	Sri Nagaraj	2520490	4 Shows
	Balaji Deluxe	2497199	4 Shows
Crazy Lamhe	Uma	2520009	4 Shows

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Raja The Great (Te)	(S-2)	4.10 pm, 9.55 pm
Tarak (K)	(S-3)	4.15 pm, (S-2) 10.35 am
Sathya Harishchandra (K)	(S -2)	1.15 pm
	(S-3)	7.00 pm
	(S-4)	10.35 pm
Mersal (Ta)	(S-1)	10.20 am, 1.20 pm
	(S-2)	7.00 pm
	(S-3)	9.55 pm
Secret Super Star (E)	(S-4)	1.30 pm, 4.15 pm, 7.00 pm, 9.55 pm
Golmaal Again (H)	(S-1)	4.30 pm, 7.15 pm, 9.55 pm (S-3) 1.25 pm
Dayavittu Gamanisi (K)	(S-3)	10.45 am

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Secret Super Star (E)	(S-1)	9.55 am, 12.55 pm, 3.55 pm, 6.55 pm, 9.55 pm
Golmaal Again (H)	(S-2)	9.50 am, 3.45 pm, 6.45 pm, 9.45 pm
Mersal (Ta)	(S-3)	10.35 am, 2.00 pm, 5.25 pm, 8.50 pm
Tarak (K)	(S-2)	12.50 pm
Sathya Harishchandra (K)	(S-4)	9.50 am, 6.40 pm
Raja The Great (Te)	(S-4)	1.00 pm, 9.55 pm
Dayavittu Gamanisi (K)	(S-4)	6.40 pm

Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

AIR ON MONDAY

6.00 am Patriotic Songs, 6.10 Geetaradhana, 6.30 Chinthana, 6.35 Sannutigeete, 6.45 Bhavageete, 7.15 Sponsored Prog., 7.45 Film Songs, 10.00 Vocal Recital, 10.30 Hindi Film Songs, 11.00 Kamanabillu, 11.30 Keli Kali, 12.00 noon Chukki Chinna, 12.30 Mahila Ranga, 1.00 Devotional Songs, 1.30 pm Madhyanada Madhurya, 2.35 Chinnara Chukki, 3.00 Vividha Bharati Programme, 4.00 Yakshagana, 5.00 Gaana, 6.15 Folk Songs, 6.50 Krishi Ranga, 8.00 Yuvavani, 9.16 Rangageete, 10.30 Hindi Film Songs.

TV TONIGHT

4:00 pm India's Best Judwaah	4:00 pm Nach Baliye : Finale	3:30 pm Kapil Sharma Show
5:00 Sa Re Ga Ma Pa Li'l Champs 2017	5:30 Dance Plus	5:00 Kapil Sharma Show
8:00 India's Best Judwaah	7:00 Yeh Rishta Kya Kehlata Hai	6:30 Kapil Sharma Show
9:00 Sa Re Ga Ma Pa Li'l Champs	8:00 Dance Plus	8:00 The Drama Company
10:30 Fear Files: Darr Ki Sacchi Tasvirein	9:30 Aarambh	9:00 The Kapil Sharma Show
	10:30 Dance Plus	10:00 C.I.D
		11:00 Crime Patrol - Satark
6.30 PM Duster Adventures : Uttarakhand	1.20 PM New Zealand Tour of India 2017 : 1st ODI	6.00 PM How to Win at Everything
7.00 How Do They Do it?	9.30 Cricket Live : Post Show	6.30 How to Win at Everything
7.30 Savage Family Diggers	10.00 New Zealand Tour of India 2017 H/ls : 1st ODI	7.00 Animal Fight Club : Africa
8.00 Hacking the Wild	11.00 Follow The Blues	8.00 Surviving The Serengeti
9.00 Man Woman Wild	11.30 Superstar	9.00 India's Mega Kitchens :
10.00 Street Justice: The Bronx		10.00 Inside: Indian Naval Academy
11.00 My 600 lb Life		
4.30 PM Kris ki Diwali	3.30 PM Muthina Kathirika	12.30 PM Iifa Utsavam 2017
6.00 Oggy & the Cockroaches	6.00 News	6.00 Movie
7.00 Golmaal No. 21	6.30 Pichaikkaran	9.00 Kiladi Kids
8.30 Oggy & the Cockroaches	9.30 Gramathil oru naal	10.00 Nandini
9.00 Teen Titans Go	10.30 Pudhu padangal	11.00 Kiladi Kids
9.30 Horrid Henry	11.00 Natchathira Kabaddi	

MOVIES TONIGHT

2.47 PM Baby's Day Out	4.21 PM Suicide Squad	4.41 PM The Ghost and the Darkness
4.49 Assassin's Creed	6.42 Jaws 2	6.33 Transformers
7.06 Kung Fu Panda 3	9.00 G.I. Joe: The Rise of Cobra	9.00 Iron Man
9.00 Captain America: Civil War	11:16 The Dark Knight Rises	
2.16 PM Sultan	1.39 PM Vivah	3.20 PM Teleshopping
5.56 We Sunday Dhamaal	5.12 Bengal Tiger	4.20 Intl. Don
7.55 Sooryavansham	8.00 Jaanwar	7.30 Teleshopping
11.20 Legend the terror	11.40 Indra: The Tiger	8.30 Dil Hai Betaab
4.42 PM Captain America: The Winter Soldier	1.00 PM Movie	1.30 PM Pete's Dragon
7.19 Guardians of the Galaxy43	4.00 Movie	3.45 Nayak: The Real Hero
	7.00 Movie	11.15 The Real Jackpot
	10.00 Movie	

EVENTS TODAY (OCT. 22)

Ramsons Kala Pratishtana: Bombe Mane, an expo of exquisite dolls from across India, Pratima Gallery, #91, above Aamrapali Saree Store, Nazarbad Main Road, **10 am to 7.30 pm.**

JSS Sangeetha Sabha: Karnatak music by Dr. Pantula Rama, accompanied by her husband and an accomplished violinist Vid. M.S.N. Murthy, Vid. A. Radhesh on mridanga and Vid. S. Manjunath on ghata, Navajyoti auditorium, JSS Women's College, Saraswathipuram, **6.15 pm.**

Natana School of Theatre Arts: Staging of play 'Maarikaadu,' Natana Rangashale, Ramakrishnanagar, **6.30 pm.**

International Society for Krishna Consciousness (ISKCON), Jayanagar: 'Damodara Deepotsava,' ISKCON premises, Jayanagar, **7.30 pm.**

Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama: Swami Atmajnandaji speaks on 'Viveka Chudamani,' Ramakrishna Ashrama premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**

Rangayana: Weekend play, staging of Yeshwanth Chitthala's play *Shikari* directed by Prakash Belwadi, Bhoomigeeta, Rangayana premises, **6.30pm.**

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ISKCON, Jayanagar: 'Damodara Deepotsava,' ISKCON premises, Jayanagar, **7.30 pm.**

District Administration, Kannada and Culture Department: Kittur Rani Chennamma Jayanti, inauguration by District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa, MLA Vasu presides, Minister Tanveer Sait, Mayor M.J. Ravikumar, Legislative Council Deputy Chairman Marithibbegowda, ZP President Nayeema Sultana, MPs and Legislators chief guests, former Chairperson of Karnataka State Women's Commission Manjula Manasa main speaker, Sugama Sangeetha by Malini and troupe of Mysuru, Kalamandira, **11 am.**

Mettilu Hatthuva Balaga: 7th annual Maharudrabhisheka to Nandi statue on the occasion of first Karthika Monday, Chamundi Hill, **10 am to 1 pm.**

Sri Nataraja Prathisthana and Sri Sangameshwara Temple: Karthika Masa puja rituals and discourses, inauguration by Vid. Sri Siddamalla Swamiji of Sri Neelakanteshwar Mutt, Mysuru, Sri Chidananda Swamiji of Sri Hosamutt, Mysuru and Sri Mahadeva Deshikendra Swamiji of Sri Namaha Shivaya Mutt, Mysuru, graces the occasion, Music University Vice-Chancellor Dr. Sarvamangala Shankar, presides, Lecture on Mukthyangane by Dr. K. Malathi, Lecturer, Government PU College, Nanjangud, Vachana Gayana by Chudamani and troupe, Sri Nataraja Sabha Bhavan, Sri Hosamutt, **5.30 pm onwards.**

Nritya Vidya Peeta Academy of Classical Dance and Indian Arts: Two-day Nrityankura-2017, inauguration by Dr.Radhika Nandakumar, Director of Brahmavidya Foundation for Indian Art, Mysuru; Dr. P.M. Chethana Radhakrishna, Lecturer, Music University, chief guest, Natyacharya Prof. K. Ramamurthy Rao, Director of Nupura Trust, Mysuru, presides, Guru Vidu. C.N. Anitha will be present,staging of Nritya Sangama by Gana Nritya Academy of Mangaluru under the guidance of Guru Arun; Dance feature 'Jawalamukhi Ambe' by Karnataka Kala Jyothi Vidyasri Radhakrishna, Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, JLB Road, **6pm.**

Satyadhyana Bhajana Mandali: 5th death anniversary of Ratnamma Raghavendra Rao, discourse on 'Dashama Skandha' (Krishna Leela) by Vidwan Vedavyasachar, Sri Raghavendra Swamy Mutt, Jayalakshmipuram, Mysuru, **5pm.**

Jnana Yajna discourse on Intelligent Living in city from tomorrow

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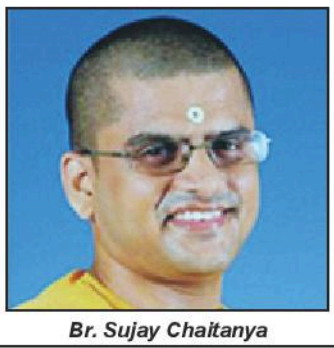

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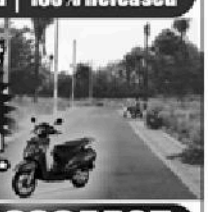

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